

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 137

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Dr. Scott Porter,
Tennessee Principal of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding school leaders who have devoted their efforts toward providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Scott Porter, principal of Alcoa High School, is one such exceptional leader, who has been selected through a highly competitive process by the Tennessee Association of Secondary School Principals as the Tennessee Principal of the Year; and

WHEREAS, standing as Tennessee's current most successful school leader, Dr. Porter is now a participant in the National Association of Secondary School Principals' competition to determine the National Principal of the Year, and he will be honored with his fellow winners from other states at the organization's State Principals Institute in Washington, D.C. later in the year; and

WHEREAS, Scott Porter holds a bachelor's degree from Maryville College, master's degree from the University of Tennessee, and doctorate from Lincoln Memorial University. He served as a science teacher at Karns and Oak Ridge High Schools for a number of years before joining Alcoa High School's faculty in 2002, where he taught science until being named principal in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Porter's excellent leadership of Alcoa High is driven by his aspiration for the school to be the best in the nation, and to achieve that goal he knows he must be his best every day; and

WHEREAS, being a strong proponent for a collaborative workplace environment, Dr. Porter firmly believes that all success achieved comes through mutual efforts of administration,

faculty, students, and parents, and he faithfully credits the Alcoa High School family as a whole with this most recent recognition; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Scott Porter truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues, faculty, staff, and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, he epitomizes the model of the dedicated principal who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and commend Alcoa High School Principal Dr. Scott Porter upon being selected Tennessee Principal of the Year, predict his success in the subsequent competition for top national honors, and extend best wishes to him for success in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.